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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Toshio TOKUNAGA

Appln. No.: 09/873,428

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 5145

Examiner: Geoffrey L. Knable

Filed: June 05, 2001

For: TIRE BUILDING APPARATUS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of July 16, 2003 to January 16, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$950.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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